

### Police Checking for Burglaries

Whiteaker Grade School, found that their toolshed there had been broken into and more than \$250 worth of equipment stolen. The list of missing articles included a seven-inch skill saw, an electric drill, sledgehammer, transit level, hydraulic jack and other tools.

A number of blank checks and a check protector were stolen from the Acme Roofing Co., 733 Olive St. N. H. Harner, owner of the business, reported that the checks had been numbered in a 4600 series and were printed on First National Bank of Eugene blanks.

Also taken from the roofing company offices was an adding machine. Police reported that the building was entered through a garage and access to the inner office gained by reaching through a window to unlatch a door.

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**JAIL BIRD** — A raccoon lolls in a Monroe, La., jail cell after being picked up by a police squad car.

### Eugene Flier Commands Isle

On July 1, the U.S. army air force assumed administration of tiny Johnston Island, located 717 miles southwest of Honolulu, with Lt. Col. T. L. Wiper, an ex-Eugenean, in command.

Col. Wiper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wiper of Eugene, is the first commander of a Pacific island base run exclusively by the new independent air corps branch of the armed services.

For the past 14 years, the Navy has had administrative control of the island, which was used as a key fueling station for surface vessels, submarines and aircraft during the war. Several times it was a victim of Japanese air attacks.

The new island commander made his home in Eugene for some 20 years. He obtained most of his education in the Eugene schools, graduating from University High. His first two years of college schooling was at Oregon State, but Col. Wiper returned to the University of Oregon for his final two years, obtaining his degree in business administration in 1939.

He entered cadet training with the air corps in 1940, graduating the following year as a second lieutenant. He taught at Moffett Field in California and at Hobbs, New Mexico, before heading overseas.

Following his fifty missions in the European theater, Col. Wiper returned to air force headquarters in Washington, D.C. and more recently, was sent to Honolulu.

His family, which includes his wife and two children, Tom, Jr., age 5, and Barbara Ann, age 2, will leave Honolulu soon for their new home on the tiny island.

Only a mile long and a third of a mile wide, the mission of the island air base is to service all military planes flying east and west on the Hawaii-Guam route.

### Tiny Girl Has Finger—Thanks to Surgeons

LOS ANGELES — (AP) — One-year-old Sherry Lynn Plumb waved her hands cheerily to show all of her 10 tiny fingers are just as good as new.

That was Wednesday, some 48 hours after she had severed her right middle finger reaching for a cold cream jar at home.

Queen of Angels Hospital surgeons, who declined use of their names, sewed the finger together, administered penicillin and put her whole hand in crushed ice.

The ice therapy was continued for two days. When surgeons undressed the finger it was returning to normal.

**BIGGEST AIR SHOW IN OREGON.** Spfld. Jaycees, Sun. July 25, \$1.00.

### Forest Visitors Told Of Closure Regulations

Visitors to the national forests were reminded again Wednesday of the fire prevention closure which will be in effect until Sept. 30.

Under the plan, travelers must follow these rules:

1. **Camp fire permits must be obtained from National Forest rangers** except in prepared and designated camping areas which will be plainly marked.

2. **There will be no smoking** while traveling through the forests, except on surface and two-way highways. The "no smoking" roads will be plainly marked, and the forest service urges all travelers to watch the signs.

3. **All campers except those on foot** must possess a shovel, an ax, and a bucket while in the National Forest areas.

### Freedom Award Goes To Sen. Vandenberg

NEW YORK — (AP) — Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg (R-Mich), chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, has been selected to receive the 1948 freedom award.

Freedom House, donor of the award, announced that Vandenberg would be honored for leading "the United American people in the service of a free world."

Presentation will be made at a dinner here Oct. 10. Previous award winners include Wendell Willkie, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Secretary of State George C. Marshall, Walter Lippman and Sumner Welles.

### "Fullerettes" Join Fuller Brush Men

HARTFORD, Conn. — (AP) — The Fuller Brush man soon will be joined by the Fuller Brush woman.

The Fuller Brush Co. announced Wednesday it plans to have 4000 women, to be known as "Fullerettes," calling on American housewives with soap and cosmetics. The program will start in the Connecticut, Massachusetts and New York metropolitan areas.

### Huge Glad Stem Latest Challenge to Route F

A salmon-colored gladiolus stem with thirteen large blooms is being offered as a challenge this week to Route F.

W. N. Epperson, Coburg, reports that the plant is about four and half feet high and that the second stem had about the same number of blooms.

### Girls School Work Considered by State

SALEM — (AP) — The State Board of Control will call for plans on two Hillcrest School for Girls projects, it was announced Wednesday.

The board is considering construction of a superintendent's cottage costing \$20,000 and installation of a six-inch team pipe line between Hillcrest and Fairview Home, costing \$54,969.

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